various recommendations of the NCRL.

xvi) A separate Department of Rural Labour at the Centre and in the States with an independent directorate of Rural Labour In the States to deal with all aspects of Rural Labour.

3. As of now, the recommendations relating to a Central legislation for Agricultural Workers; Central Legislation for Construction Workers and about the steps needed for bonded labour are under active consideration, State Government have also been addressed to consider implementing the recommendation regarding a minimum wage of Rs. 20/- applicable on a country-wide basis.

4. Other Ministries/Departments concerned with specific recommendations have been requested to indicate their comments by 31st December, 1991.

Setting up of Industries in tribal areas of Bihar

*193. SHRI KARIYA MUNDA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any industrial licences have been issued for the setting up of industries in the tribal areas of the country, especially Chhota Nagpur area of Bihar, during the last two years; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) Statistics about Industrial Licences in respect of tribal areas are not maintained centrally in the Ministry of Industry, However, under the provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951, the following number of Industrial Licences have been granted for centrally declared backward districts in the country including Chhota Nagpur area of Bihar during the last two years:-

Year	*Industrial Licences granted for backward areas of the country*
1989	175
1990	167

(b) Details such as name and address of the undertaking, location, item(s) of manufacture and capacity in respect of all Industrial Licences granted are published regularly by the Indian Investment Centre in their 'Monthly Newsletter'. Copies of this publication are being sent to the Parliament Library regularly.

Revival of Sick Units in Small Scale Sector

*194. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any new policy for sick units in the small scale sector is under consideration;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Governments would also be consulted in the matter; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (d). There is an existing policy for preventing sickness and rehabilitation of potentially viable sick SSI units. Further improvements in the policy in view of the current industrial scenario are being formulated in consultation with concerned Minis-